

Amendments To The Specification

Please amend the specification at follows:

Please replace the paragraph at page 23, lines 20-28 (last full paragraph), with the following amended paragraph:

Further, as shown in Table 8, it was demonstrated that decrease of the HGF concentration (lower than 5 mg/mL) accelerated aggregate formation, which resulted in lower storage stability. It was found that, when glycine or alanine was used as a stabilizing agent of the lyophilized preparation as described in Japanese Patent Unexamined Publication No. 9-25411 9-25241, aggregate formation was accelerated and storage stability was lowered in the lyophilized low-concentration HGF preparations (Examples 5, 6 and 26, 1 mg/mL) as compared to the lyophilized high-concentration HGF preparations (Examples 5 and 6 in Japanese Patent Unexamined Publication No. 9-25411 9-25241, 20 mg/mL).